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REMARKS

Claims 1-16 have been canceled without prejudice. New claims 17-31 have been added. No new matter has been added by way of these amendments. Applicants seek to place the claims in more suitable condition for US prosecution.

The Examiner's objections under 37 CFR 1.75(c) relating to the claims having multiples dependencies have been overcome by the amendments.

No new matter has been added, since new independent claim 17 is supported by the features of claim 1, 2 and 3 as originally filed (now cancelled). Specifically, new claim 17 describes a feature of "removing the tool from the well" (supported by original claim 2) and creating "a drawdown across the drilled hole producing reservoir fluid through the hole" (supported by original claim 3).

Applicant suggests that Dietle et al (USP 5,765,637) does not teach the feature of creating a drawdown across the drilled hole. This feature advantageously allows the provision of a direct and clean fluid path between the formation and sensor in producing reservoir fluid through the hole for removing any rock debris or blocking material between the formation and sensor.

Applicant believe the claims are in condition for allowance, early passage to issuance is requested. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee associated with the submission of this response to Deposit Account No. 50-2183 (Ref. No. 21.1017).

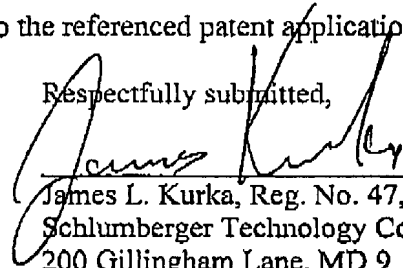
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The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned patent attorney at 281.285.7114 with any questions, comments or suggestions relating to the referenced patent application.

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